



23rd February 2024

I hope everyone had a super half term. Spring is nearly here, but the weather continues to play games. Please be mindful and ensure students wear sensible rainproof coats in this wet weather.

This week some of you may be frustrated by the change of timetable for the Burnley to Todmorden bus. I am working with the local Town Councillor and the bus company to see how this can be rectified. I am attending a meeting at Todmorden Town Hall on 28th Feb at 7:30pm. Please can you email me on g.shirt@todhigh.co.uk with any comments or issues so I can represent you at the meeting?

Furthermore, can you email Miss Clark-Hutchinson on n.clark-hutchinson@todhigh.co.uk with your child's name if they get the Burnley bus so they are not issued with a late mark.

As always, if you have any other concerns or if you wish to speak with a member of staff please get in touch with us via the website, by emailing reception at admin@todhigh.co.uk or by calling school Monday-Friday between the hours of 8-4pm.

Yours sincerely,

Gill Shirt

Headteacher

Up and Coming Dates



W.c 4th March - Careers Week

7th March - Year 9 Information, Advice and Guidance evening - details to follow.

11th March - Ramadan begins

Parent Forum with Miss Shirt



On Thursday 29th February @ 3:30-4:30pm, Miss Shirt will be holding an online public parent forum. This is a great opportunity to speak directly with Miss Shirt. A link will be sent on Class Charts next week, or you can click on the link below to join it. Anything of a private nature, please speak to the Learning Manager.

Microsoft Teams meeting

Join on your computer, mobile app or room device

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

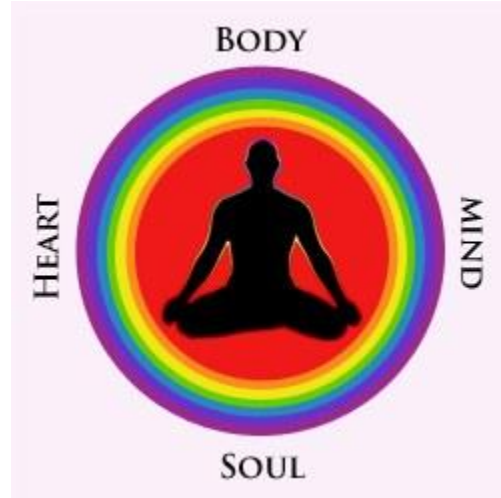
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Ambition at it's finest!



Three students, Iona Bell, Rosie Dowson and Bo Dalton represented Todmorden High School and Calderdale at a regional cross country event recently. A superb effort by all 3 students, with Iona coming 5th overall and Rosie 6th!

Student Health (Physical and mental health, and wellbeing)



There are loads of things we can all do to look after our mental wellbeing, and taking any time you can for self-care is massively important. Knowing what steps we can take to support our mental wellbeing can help us feel better, sleep better and have better relationships with the people around us – and that goes not just for today but for the future too.

Check out the videos on the NHS website for all sorts of tips on exercise, sleep and how to take care of yourself on social media. You will also find links to more support for specific groups of people who may be finding things tough, have additional needs, or are facing a specific issue.

[Self-care tips videos for young people - Every Mind Matters - NHS \(www.nhs.uk\)](https://www.nhs.uk)

Zen Internet Visit!



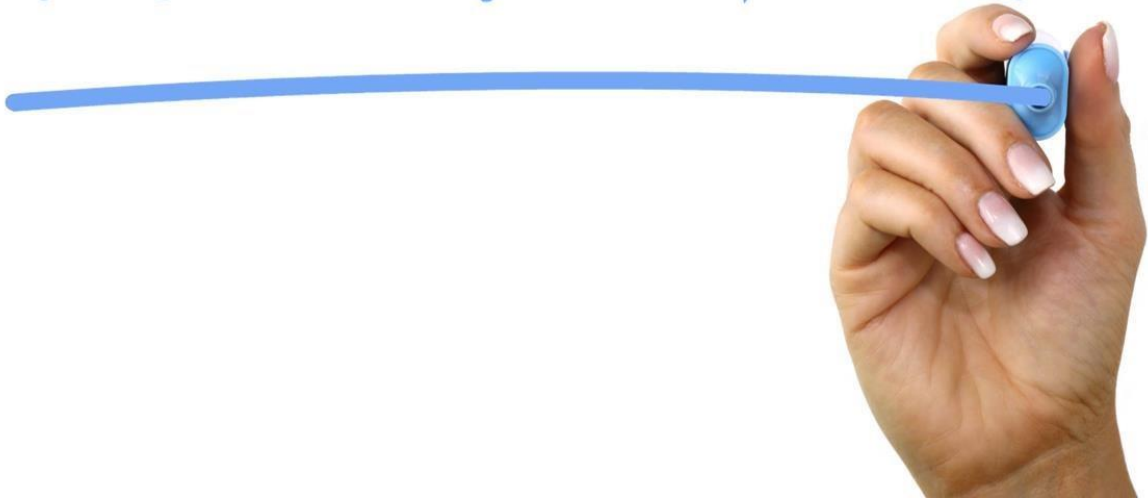
Just before half term Zen Internet came to visit the Computer Science pupils, to explore the roles and career paths within an Internet Service Provider. Networking is a rapidly developing sector with lots of potential growth both professionally and financially. The engineers demonstrated equipment that Zen Internet uses to connect customers. Pupils were encouraged to explore the equipment on display. I would like to thank the parents of pupils within the classes for exemplary and inquisitive behaviour.

Daniel McDermott

Teacher of Computer Science/Creative iMedia

West Yorkshire Youth Commission

INFORMATION



Exciting opportunity for Youth People aged 14-25 to join the West Yorkshire Youth Commission

The Youth Commission will allow young people to support, challenge and inform the work of the West Yorkshire Violence Reduction Partnership. The **Youth Commission will explore urgent issues affecting young people in West Yorkshire**, such as the root causes of violence, exploitation and knife crime etc.

We're looking for a diverse group of young people from different backgrounds and life experiences to take part, including those who have direct experience of the issues or are part of traditionally underrepresented groups.

This is a brilliant opportunity for young people to **gain new knowledge, skills and experiences** that focuses on listening to the views of young people in West Yorkshire. Members of the Youth Commission will play an important role in helping to run consultation events and gather the opinions of other young people. They will work directly with the Deputy Mayor for Crime and Policing and the director of the Violence Reduction Partnership.

All the relevant recruitment documents and they can also be found, along with more information at: <https://www.westyorks-ca.gov.uk/policing-and-crime/west-yorkshire-youth-commission/>

Application deadline: Thursday 29th February 2024

Music for the Many Concert tonight!



A reminder that tonight (Friday 23rd February) is the next fundraising event for Music for the Many at Fielden Hall, Todmorden OL14 7DD at 7.30pm.

It will be a solo performance by Tom Hingley (formerly the lead singer in Inspiral Carpets). There will also be a lovely support set by Todmorden's very own Rebecca Spooner, a fantastic young singer/songwriter.

There are still some tickets available. Admission is by donation.

You can book ahead here:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/803787418807?aff=oddtcreator>

Thanks for all your support.

Daniel

Artistic Director - Music for the Many

Todmorden Town Deal Information

Funded by UK Government

MEET THE DESIGNERS AND HELP SHAPE PLANS FOR TODMORDEN

10:00-16:00 Saturday 2 March 2024
Todmorden Learning Centre and Community Hub

Come along and find out about plans to improve the town through two of eight Todmorden Town Deal projects:

- Public Places in the Heart of Todmorden;
- Active Todmorden.

Share your thoughts on emerging designs and help shape the future of Todmorden. There will be interactive activities to take part in, including a family area with children's games.

Everyone is invited to join us for a fun and informative day!

This is a drop-in event, so come along anytime between 10:00am and 4:00pm. If you can't make it on the day, the designs will be on display at the Todmorden Information Centre from Monday 4 March to Saturday 23 March 2024 inclusive.

You will also be available to view them online at: www.todmordentowndeal.co.uk.

TODMORDEN TOWN DEAL Calderdale Council **POWERED BY LEVELLING UP**

Learning Managers



Just to remind you all of our 5 Learning Managers and their contact details, should you ever need to email them.

Year 7 - Mrs. Kontogiannopoulou

Email: demik@todhigh.co.uk

Year 8 - Mrs. Thompson

Email: p.thompson@todhigh.co.uk

Year 9 - Mrs. Townend

Email: a.townend@todhigh.co.uk

Year 10 - Miss. James

Email: j.james@todhigh.co.uk

Year 11 - Mrs. Stansfield

Email: e.stansfield@todhigh.co.uk

Extracurricular timetable Feb 2024

Todmorden High School extra-curricular timetable				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Latin Club Invite only Ms Pollock	Design & Technology Club KS4 only Mrs. Hartley Room 23 & 26	English Speaking Board Invitation only Mrs. Kewin Room 90	Magic Club Mr. Charles Room 13	
All clubs finish by 4pm unless stated otherwise	K33 Basketball Mr. Danden Gym	M4M Fantasy Orchestra Mrs. Lancaster School Hall	 <p>Other opportunities: Home Learning Club in the Library Every night after school until 4.00pm *Y9/10/11 – Duke of Edinburgh Award. See Miss Mullarkey for details.</p>	
	Year 9 Math Club Mr. Smith Invite only	Y11 EPE Drop In Mr. Womack Room 47		
	KS4 Art/Photography Club Mr. Freeman Room 45	Year 7 & 8 Code Club Mr. McDermott Room 21		
	KS3 Art Club Miss Webster Room 46	KS3 Science Club Miss Smith Room 41		
	Drama Club (All Years) Miss Daubney Drama Studio	Girls' Netball Club All Years Miss Creighton		
	Badminton All years @ Tod sports center Mrs. Lambert	Year 7 Math Club Invite only Mr. Smith		

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